

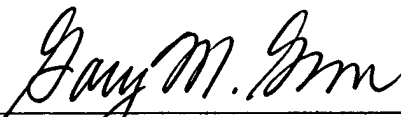
REMARKS

The allowance of the substance of claim 2 is noted with thanks. Independent Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the substance of claim 2 and all the remaining claims are now dependant on the amended claim 1. It is believed that the claims are in condition for allowance.

A search report was conducted by the European Patent Office for the equivalent case. The search report noted the patents listed in the attached information disclosure statement as being of general interest. It is believed that none of these references show or teach applicants inventive concepts.

In view of the discussion above and the amendments to the claim reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested.

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